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SUBJECT: TAX ADMINISTRATION TRAINING

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1. WHILE MEETING WITH MINISTER OF FINANCE ABU ISMAIL MARCH 10 ON OTHER MATTERS, CHARGE TOOK OPPORTUNITY TO FOLLOW UP TAX TRAINING OFFER MADE BY TREASURY SECRETARY SIMON DURING HIS MEETING WITH FINANCE MINISTER IN CAIRO MARCH 6. MINFIN ABU ISMAIL PRODUCED LIST OF NAMES IN ARABIC (WHICH HE SAID HE WOULD HAVE TRANSLATED INTO ENGLISH) OF THOSE TAX OFFICIALS WHOM HE WISHED TO SEND TO US FOR TRAINING IN RESPONSE TO AGREEMENT BY SECRETARY SIMON TO ARRANGE TAX TRAINING PROGRAMS IN US FOR SOME 30-40 INDIVIDUALS.

2. CHARGE SUGGESTED THAT ABU ISMAIL INSTRUCT MIN ECON UNDER SECRETARY HABIB TO MEET WITH AID DIRECTOR IN ORDER TO ARRANGE FOR TYPES OF TRAINING PROGRAMS AND APPROPRIATE PHASING OF TRAINEE GROUPS.

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3. CHARGE ALSO INQUIRED REGARDING GROUP OF IRS SPECIALISTS WHICH ABU ISMAIL HAD TOLD SECRETARY SIMON HE WOULD BE HAPPY TO HAVE COME TO CAIRO TO REVIEW AND ADVISE TAX ADMINISTRATION OPERATIONS HERE. ABU ISMAIL SUGGESTED THAT THIS COULD BE DISCUSSED BY AID DIRECTOR WITH HABIB AT SAME TIME AS OTHER TRAINING PROGRAMS SO THAT GROUPS OF TAX SPECIALISTS COULD COME FOR 3-4 MONTH PERIODS TO PROVIDE ADVICE ON DIFFERENT ASPECTS OF EGYPTIAN TAX ADMINISTRATION ORGANIZATION. MAESTRONE

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